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Ms. Kymberlee Keckler
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Re: ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT REPORT, DERECKTOR SHIPYARD,
BUILDING 42 AREA AT NETC NEWPORT.

Dear Ms. Keckler:

In response to your letter dated April 18, 1995, the Navy would like to thank you for your review and comments on the subject report.

As you might not be aware, the environmental assessment conducted was initiated solely by the Navy to gain an understanding of subsurface soil and groundwater quality around Building 42. It was executed on a limited scope and budget and conducted prior to EPA and RIDEM's endorsement of Derecktor Shipyard as an installation restoration site under the Federal Facility Agreement. The copy forwarded on February 3, 1995 was to provide you with supplemental information the Navy has collected on Derecktor Shipyard and therefore for information purposes only.

Since the study was strictly Navy driven, additional revisions to the report were not anticipated and contractual/funding provisions are unfortunately not available.

The Navy has reviewed the comments and will ensure all technical concerns are evaluated during the development of the Study Area Screening Evaluation Work Plan and subsequent report.

I hope EPA understands the purpose and constraints of the Navy with respect to the subject report. If you would like to discuss this further, please do not hesitate to contact me at (610) 595-0567 extension 147.

Sincerely,

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